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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

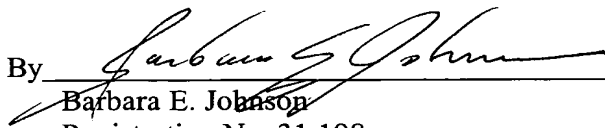
No of Claims After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate	Non-Small Entity Rate	Charge
Total <u>11</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$ 9.00	x \$ 18.00	\$ <u>0.00</u>
Indep. <u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$ 40.00	x \$ 80.00	\$ <u>0.00</u>
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim/s			+ \$135.00	+ \$270.00	\$ <u>0.00</u>
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE					\$ <u>0.00</u>

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$     is enclosed to cover the filing fee of the Notice of Appeal.
- ☒ A check in the amount of **\$55.00** is enclosed for a **one**-month Petition for Extension of Time.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. An original and two copies of this sheet are enclosed.
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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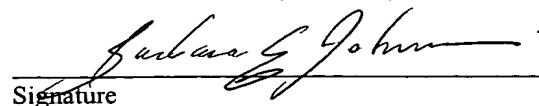
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